

Central Holds Relay Time Trials--Hayre de Grace Opens--Factions Get Together

CENTRAL HIGH TO HOLD TIME TRIALS FOR RELAYS TODAY

Episcopal High School Offers Use of Its New Track to Coach Bill Foley's Lads.

MANY BOYS AFTER JOBS

Hunt, Hill, Gates, and Milstead Looked Upon as Likely Quarter To Be Picked.

By BRYAN MORSE.

Central High School track candidates will go down to Alexandria today to take advantage of the generous offer of the Episcopal High School to allow them to hold their time trials for the relay teams which will be sent to the Penn relay carnival Saturday week.

Coach Bill Foley will take a number of boys who want to get a chance at the relays and some spirited competition is expected. It will be the first time that the new Episcopal track has been tried out. Principal Archie Hoxon extended the courtesy of the track to the Washington athletes, and the whole school will turn out to watch the Central cracks go through their paces.

There is no track in the city outside of that at Satterlee field, which is regulation or nearly so, and the conditions at Franklin field, Philadelphia, and Coach Foley wants his boys to run just as they will at Philadelphia. The Episcopal track is a new one, having been recently put up. The twelve-foot cinder track is a quarter of a mile long.

The Virginia will send no relay team to the Penn games this season, as it was announced that practically all efforts were being bent toward a second relay team.

Eight new teams have been given a big boost, and there is every indication that a fine team will be put out this year.

Hunt, Hill, Gates, and Milstead are slated to represent Central in the championship relay race at Penn. No other team appears able to displace these sterling runners, who cleaned up in the indoor relay races this winter. A second relay team will probably be picked from Leback, Bowlin, Birnbaum, Oyster, and Buell.

The Strayers business college baseball team will play the team from the Drillery this afternoon at 3:30 at the old Terminal Railroad Y. M. C. A. league grounds, Fifth street and Florida avenue northeast, and a good game should result.

Saturday the Strayers team will journey to Rockville, Md., to cross bats with the team at that place.

Warden Dyer, pitching for Eastern yesterday, struck out twelve Georgetown Freshmen and then lost his game, which is a piece of hard luck for the Eastern captain. Ragged support at critical periods cost Dyer the game, as he held the Freshmen to eight hits, while his own team got nine off of him. The Freshmen have now beaten two of the high school teams.

Western handed the Episcopal High School team a 4 to 1 beat yesterday, scoring the necessary runs when Frank Spruill forced two runners across on bases on balls. Spruill, who is captain of the team, is a first baseman and has been forced into the box on account of the fact that the team is without a dependable pitcher. The game was marked by ragged fielding on account of the poor condition of the diamond, which is a new one and badly in need of rain.

Tech goes in against the Georgetown Preps tomorrow on the Hilltop grounds and is expected to win. Western nosed the Preps out in their first encounter. Tech will probably start Denby Hird, while Snyder will be held in reserve. Tech has been going in the style of late having won its last three starts.

St. Albans will tackle Western today at Satterlee field. There is a lot of old natured rivalry between the St. Albans and Western players. St. Albans, a former Western boy, will probably pitch for St. Albans.

Tech plays the Episcopal High School team on Saturday and a comparison can then be made of the high school teams. Episcopal and the Virginians maintain that Central has the best team showing so far at Alexandria.

Brewer, Carter, and Rose are three selected to represent St. Albans in the Penn relay games. Carter's time trial was the best made at Satterlee yesterday. Another trial will be held to determine fourth place. Stubbs, Jaroh, Hauser, and Stenberg will try for the remaining position.

Plays Central.

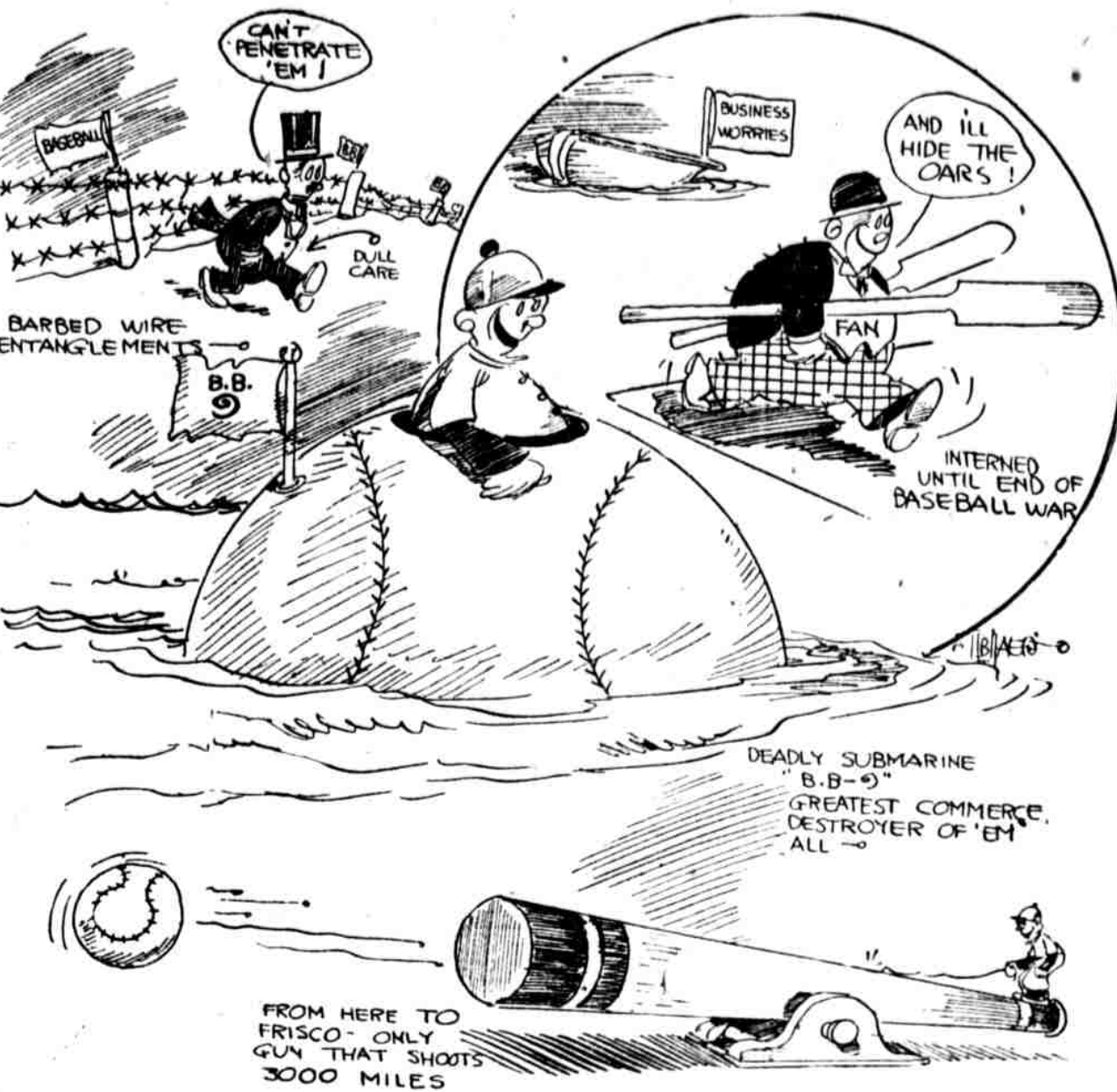
The Brookland A. C. will play Central high school tomorrow at Fifth and Florida avenue northeast. Good will be seen up for the Brooklanders. The Brookland team will play the Hartford on Saturday, and will play the Alpine on Sunday.

Big League Biffers

Of a Day.

	A.B.H.T.B. Pet.
Doyle, Giants...	5 5 7 1.000
Morgan, Griffs...	1 1 1 1.000
Twombly, Reds...	1 1 1 1.000
Daly, White Sox...	1 1 1 1.000
Shalk, White Sox...	4 3 3 .750
Miller, Cards...	4 3 3 .750
Brenton, White S...	3 2 3 .667
Pennock, Macks...	3 2 2 .667
Mannville, Braves...	3 2 2 .667
Moeller, Griffs...	3 2 2 .667
Hinchman, Pirates...	3 3 5 .600
isher, Cubs...	5 2 5 .600
Robert, Giants...	5 3 4 .600
letcher, Giants...	5 3 3 .600

BASEBALL WARFARE IS NOW STARTED



TODAY'S SPORTORIAL

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Those who follow closely the doings on the diamond claim to find something most important in the possible return of Frank Baker to the ranks of the Athletics and also in the statement issued by Connie Mack before his team faced the Boston Red Sox, picked generally to be the ultimate winner of the 1915 pennant.

Baker showed up unexpectedly at Shibe Park yesterday. He conferred with his boss, Connie Mack, and witnessed the defeat of the Red Sox. It is understood that Baker wants an increase in salary and that this hitch is all that keeps him out of a uniform. If he and Connie get together, Baker will be found once more at third base for the Athletics.

In his statement before yesterday's game, Mack insisted on the "reserve strength of the team," something not hitherto given much attention by the country at large. If Connie is correct in his conclusions, the Mackmen may prove to be the hottest kind of contenders.

"The Athletics are not a smashed machine," said Connie Mack before the opening game yesterday. "But a sure-fire pennant contender."

"It is my positive belief that the Athletics will be in the race to the finish and that they are perfectly competent to win a third straight American League championship. The only way my calculations might be upset would be for some rival to build a fat lead right at the start and hog things for the whole season."

"But I am not looking for any such thing to happen and with three or four other clubs battling for the pennant our chance is as good as anybody else's."

"I know that out-of-town critics place us out of the running because of the sale of Collins, the retirement of Baker and the dismissal of Plank and Bender, but they have underestimated our strength. They don't figure on our reserve power, which will be put in service this year."

Connie goes on to tell how much factor Larry Lajoie is to most of us thought he was and how good those young outfielders, Stan Thompson and Lloyd Davies, are. He says he is not worrying about his pitchers because they are all turning out as well as he had expected. He expected them to replace Bender and Plank and they are doing so. That game of Pennock's yesterday goes to prove Connie's contention.

"Just watch our step this year," concludes Connie. "We're going to, because the Mackmen have been the Griffins' worst jinx in the past."

Alva Williams showed yesterday that he is to be considered this season. If his pegging arm is so bad as to handicap him at the bat, his hitting is certainly good enough to land him a berth in the lineup. He put up a fine game at first base yesterday and the fans are with him in his fight for a regular job. The Griffins need all the hitting they can get. If they can get it without absolutely endangering their chances in the field, they should shake 'em up. Williams looks like the real thing.

American League teams seem pretty well matched this year, and the race is almost certain to be brilliant. If the old Fox can get his share of the "breakers" he may keep his boys up around the top all through. They are certainly imbued with the winning spirit. Let them get away with the right swing and they will give all opponents a run for the big stuff.

Tom Jones, the "cute and cunning Kewanee barber," continues to be flamed by the Gotham writers and howls for mercy are being heard. He, bidding Jess Willard is said to have been brought about by the theater manager, who wanted to bring people to the show house to see the new champion. On this account Willard is kept from seeing a ball game, walking down Broadway, or taking in an inviting "movie." That may be all right, but it will take more than this theatrical manager to square Tom Jones with sport writers around this country. They know him and his record too well to go out of their way to boost anything he has to hand. In Harry Pollok has hired Willard for a ten-round bout at Brighton Beach, and the new champion is tickled at having a chance to step into a ring. Already he has the title of the stage. Willard has some sense, more than the Kewanee (longer) artist. T. Jones. Willard wants the money, but he knows he is bunking the public when he marches out upon a stage. The barber-manager isn't so particular.

Curley Gains Speed in Counting Fight Receipts

HAVANA, April 15.—Promoter Jack Curley is able to count much faster in New York than in Havana, according to Colonel Estrampes, who was active in furthering the Johnson-Willard fight. When word was received here that the receipts amounted to \$100,000 the colonel reiterated that Curley assured him the receipts were only \$10,000. It is conjectured here that a split on the basis of \$90,000 could be made much easier than on the larger figure, and with more profit to the man making the divvy.

Sickness Overcomes One Of Cantillon's Gardeners

LEXINGTON, Ky., April 15.—Maurice Uhler, of Baltimore, an outfielder bought by Joe Cantillon, of the Minneapolis baseball team, from the Cincinnati Reds last season, will be unable to play ball this spring.

Easy for Giants.

NEW YORK, April 15.—The Giants had no trouble with the Dodgers in yesterday's opening game. Sixteen runs were scored off Pfeffer. Brown and Schmutz. Larry Doyle had a perfect day at the bat with five hits. The score by innings: R H E. Giants 16 10 0. Dodgers 0 0 0.

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Walter Pipp Banqueted By His Class Mates Here

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BIG FIELDS READY AT HAVRE DE GRACE

Harford Handicap Special Feature, But Winner May Be Hard to Pick.

HAVRE DE GRACE, April 15.—With the close of the meeting at Bowie the ponies now move here for the season which opens this afternoon for a fourteen days' session.

Most of the horses which have been racing at the Southern Maryland course will be seen at Havre de Grace. A large contingent also made up mostly of representatives from the big stables making their first appearance of the season will be on hand to give tone to the Harford county meeting.

The long list of attractive stakes will bring out the best horses in training, and will ensure high class racing.

The program this afternoon calls for six good races, with the Harford Handicap as the special feature. Generally the fields are closely matched, and with the form of so many horses yet unknown the picking will be very perplexing for the students of the dope.

Jess Willard to Meet Opponent in Beach Ring

NEW YORK, April 15.—Jess Willard, world's heavyweight champion, has signed articles with Harry Collock to meet an unnamed opponent in a ten-round bout to be staged at Brighton Beach some night this summer. The opponent will be selected from the bunch of white heavies now struggling for notice.

Knowing he is a poor actor, Willard himself asked Jack Curley to get him a date for a bout, something to look forward to, he said. Curley responded with this Brighton Beach date. Tom Jones, Willard's manager, is using all his energies in looking up stage contracts, but Willard is fighting shy of the footlights. He prefers to remain in the squared circle, where he is more at home than he is on the stage. Predictions are being made that Willard and Jones will part company before many weeks. Signs of trouble have already been noticed.

Bloomington Pitcher Is Barred By Farrell

ST. LOUIS, April 15.—In a decision just handed down by National Secretary J. H. Farrell, Henry Keupper, the Bloomington, Ill., pitcher, who in 1913 joined the St. Louis Federals, and who, after having been released by Manager Fielder A. Jones, asked to be reinstated in the Bloomington club, is prohibited from playing with any club of organized ball.

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Batteries—Pittsburgh, McQuillan and Gibson; Reds, Ames, Schneider and Dooin.

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